PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT BOARD

Employee Investment Advisory Council 100 North Park Helena MT 59601 January 23, 2007

Kathy Samson; Council Chair with the following in attendance, called the meeting to order:

Council Members:

Tom Schneider, Labor Organization Representative
Tom Bilodeau, Labor Organization Representative
Robert Bugni, Board of Investments Representative
Paula Stoll, State Employee Representative
Ed Dawes, State Employee Representative
Mary Spaulding, State Employee Representative
Kevin McRae, University System Representative
James Helgeson, Local Government Employee Representatives
Jim Penner, Retired Public Employee Representative

Council Members who were excused:
Ron Alles, Local Government Employee Representative
Pam Fleisner, School District Employee Representative

Council Members who were not present:
Katharine Harris, Local Government Representative

Others in attendance are as follows: MPERA staff: Melanie Symons, Kim Flatow, Carolyn Miller, Rob Virts, and Joel Thompson.

The council was pleased to welcome Jim Penner back in his new capacity as Retired Public Employee Representative.

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Tom Schneider moved to accept the minutes of the December 21, 2006 EIAC meeting; Mary Spaulding and Paula Stoll made the second. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND RECORDKEEPING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Citi Street and Great West Retirement Services interviewed in front of the PERB January 11, 2007. The PERB recommended Staff to request a Best and Final price; which resulted in a tie. State Procurement determined that a tie meant the PERB had the discretion to award the contract. PERB made the recommendation to award the contract to Great West because Great West lowered their annual price per participant from \$73 to \$57; no transition of participant records is required; and Great West is a satisfactory incumbent.

REVIEW 457 INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT'S AMENDED DRAFTS

Tom Bilodeau moved to approve the January 2007 Investment Policy Statement Draft; with EIAC e-mail review of minor amendments and to recommend approval by the PERB at their February 8th, 2007 meeting. This will allow PERB the opportunity to adopt the Investment Policy Statement prior to the release of the RFP for consultant services. Tom Schneider made the second to the motion; the motion passed with none opposed

INVESTMENT CONSULTING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Kathy, Roxanne, and Melanie will visit with the current investment consultant; Arnerich & Massena on February 1, 2007. Arnerich & Massena will be required to deliver the DC Plans Annual Review to MPERA by the end of the current consultant contract; February 28, 2007. The Consultant RFP committee: Kathy, Ed Dawes, and Bob Bugni will try to meet. Decision relative to information in the RFP and timing of the RFP may be contingent upon the February 1 meeting and results of the Annual Review.

PENDING WORK

- 1) Investment Consulting Request for Proposal
- 2) Annual Fund Review

CLOSING BUSINESS

Tom Schneider moved to adjourn the meeting; Mary Spaulding made the second and none opposed. Kathy Samson adjourned the meeting.